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## A Prayer in Time of War.

(The Congregationalist.)

**O** GOD, the Father of all men, by whom rulers are sustained in power, who lovest peace but judges and overrulest in the wars and tumults of the earth, let Thy thought govern and Thy hand control while the nations strive. Determine Thou the destinies of these troubled lands and warring peoples for the swifter coming of Thy kingdom of holiness and peace. Restrain the cruelties of armies. Shorten the time of loss and suffering, according to Thy merciful kindness, that the peaceful may not be destroyed, nor the weak perish from the earth. Confine this flame of war, if it please Thee, and suffer it not to spread among the nations. Bring in the age of brotherhood, the reign of Him who is the Prince of Peace. Come, Lord Jesus! make Thy glory known and take Thy power. Come to our hearts, that we may serve Thee gladly and sincerely love Thy brothers on the earth. Come to our nation, that we may be just as well as strong, and pure as well as brave. Forgive and sustain and enlighten us that we may be instruments in Thine hand for the uplifting of men. In the name of Christ. Amen.



## Sunday School Lesson.

SUNDAY, OCT. 9.

### The Widow's Oil Increased.

1 Kings 4:1-7.

Motto Text—"Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed." Ps. 37:3.

This motto text is good for us in our day. Scripture never goes out of date. Only good can come to one from trusting in the Lord and doing good. With so doing, temporal blessings are promised—blessings to meet our necessities, but perhaps not large enough for our satisfaction in sinful rivalry and useless luxury.

The exact date of the miracle here recorded is not given, but it occurred some time in the early ministry of Elisha. He became the successor of Elijah about 892 B. C., while Jehoram, Ahab's son, was king in Israel. The period of time of Elisha's work as prophet was about 50 years. His residence seems to have been in Samaria, but he spent part of his time at the schools of the prophets in Gilgal, Bethel and Jericho. The miracles wrought by him are for our study for a few lessons. The one for our present lesson is much like some of the miracles of Jesus—given to help those in need. We are not told where the poor widow lived, but doubtless at some town in the kingdom of Israel.

#### NOTES ON THE TEXT.

1. The widow's distress. Vs. 1, 2—"Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha."—Her husband had died, she was left in debt. She had two sons. These were about to be taken from her for the debt. Her husband was a servant of the Lord, one of the prophets. His name is not given. Josephus, the great Jewish historian, tells us she was Obadiah's widow—the Obadiah who was Ahab's steward. She may have been. She cried unto Elisha, called on him for aid. This is the root idea for the word cried here. She felt that Elisha would sympathize with her, for he was in close touch with the sons of the prophets. And it is but natural that she should come to Elisha, for his tenderness and sympathy and readiness to help the needy invited such to him in times of their trouble. She came saying, "thy servant, my husband, is dead," and she adds, "thy servant did fear the Lord." He was Elisha's servant in that he was one of the prophets under his instruction. In like manner Paul called Timothy his son. The other plea, "did fear the Lord," seems to be the chief one. Her sons were about to be taken as bondservants by a creditor of her departed husband. The creditor had legal right to take them, under the permission granted in such cases by Moses. (See Lev. 25:39-41). These boys' father left a debt, but along with it he left a good name. The wise man said, "a good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold." The poor woman must have been of good cheer

when Elisha replied, "What shall I do for thee? tell me; what hast thou in the house?" He is ready to help, but wants to know what she has of her own to help with in this time of need. It is but right that what she has be used in payment of the debt. Her answer revealed her poverty. "Not anything in the house, save a pot of oil." In debt and nothing to pay with and the creditor at the door. What is to be done?

2. The widow's relief. 3-7.

A miracle was wrought to supply the means, but the woman's faith in both Elisha and God is called upon. He says, "Go borrow thee vessels, even empty vessels." What good will empty vessels do? And she was told to get not a few. She was to be liberal in preparing. Still willing to obey she carried out the command of the prophet, for verse 5 tells us "she went from him and shut the door upon her sons who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out." All the vessels they brought were filled from the one little pot of oil, and then with increasing faith the woman, now doubtless rejoicing, called for still another vessel. But there was not a vessel more. "And the oil stayed"—multiplied no more. We may take it that the number of vessels borrowed was a measure of her faith. Jesus said, "according to your faith so be it unto you." Then she went to Elisha, the man of God, to know what she must do with the oil thus given her by miracle. She did not risk going forward without divine instruction. Elisha said, "Go, sell the oil and pay the debt and live, thou and thy children of the rest." Pay the debt first, then live on what remains. This is right even now. One cannot justly live on what belongs to a creditor. In paying the debt she did right, relieved her creditor, and secured the release of her sons. In addition to what she sought, God gave her a living. Exceedingly abundant above all we ask him is the way he treats us. She humbly sought and was graciously blessed. Let us ask in faith.

#### SUGGESTED BY THE TEXT.

1. Elisha, the man of God, was easily approached by the woman in distress. Each child of God should be ready to help the helpless. And if in distress should let it be known to others.
2. It is a good thing to leave a good name. If those who know us see in us the fear of the Lord and can testify of us that we love and follow Jesus it will go far toward leading them to do the same. What a heritage is a good name. Are you leaving this to your family?
3. To be a believer in the Lord does not exempt us from sorrow or affliction or poverty. When these come upon God's child he should cling the closer to the "Man of sorrow." The greatest affliction or abject poverty should not cause one to despair. "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."
4. The widow was told to borrow not a few vessels. Large expectation, large plans, large giving, large asking should be

characteristic of every Christian, especially should this be true in the work of missions. Wm. Carey's theme over a hundred years ago should be ours now, "expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God."

5. The oil was a free gift from God. It brought her from under bondage. So the abounding free gift of grace avails for the sinner.

6. The woman's faith was strong. Faith is the victory. What is it that overcometh the world? "And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." To the mother who besought earnestly and persistently the relief of her daughter, Jesus said, "O woman great is thy faith; be it unto thee even as thou wilt." "The just shall live by faith."

R. A. KIMBROUGH.

## In the Foreign Field.

Waft, waft, ye winds his story  
And you, ye waters, roll,  
Till, like a sea of glory,  
It spreads from pole to pole:  
Till o'er our ransomed nature  
The Lamb, for sinners slain,  
Redeemer, King, Creator,  
In bliss returns to reign.

Isaac N. Topliff of Cleveland, Ohio, recently left \$50,000 to mission work.

The only country closed to missionaries, Tibet, will soon be opened, and many hundreds of Christ's messengers are ready to enter with the good news.

I hold not with the pessimist that all things are ill, nor with the optimist that all things are well. All things are not ill and all things are not well, but all things shall be well, because this is God's world—Robert Browning.

Rev. I. F. Yohannan, a native of Persia and a convert to Christ, has been studying in our country for several years, a part of the time in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is anxious to return to Persia and preach the gospel to his people. He is now a consistent and active member of a Baptist church in Louisville, Ky.

An African slave woman named Ogunro, living in the Ilale country, west of the Niger, longed for freedom and worked hard until she secured it. Then she traveled to another region to enjoy life. There she was converted to Christ. This gave her a new longing. What she now longed for was to tell the Ilale people, among whom she had been a slave, what good things she had learned. She went back to Ilale, earned money by hard work, got a church built, and late in 1903 she placed the building at the disposal of the nearest Christian pastor. The *Church Missionary Intelligencer* now reports that five young men from Ilale have been baptized through these efforts of the ex-slave. It seems that Anglo-Saxons have no monopoly of the strenuous life. The Christian name given to Ogunro in baptism was the appropriate one of Dorcas.

## Christianity vs. Buddhism.

While in Japan Bishop Galloway, through Dr. Irnie, an American missionary in that country, secured this statement from Count Katsura, the Prime minister of Japan: "The argument against Japan is sometimes put in this form—Russia stands for Christianity and Japan stands for Buddhism. The truth is, that Japan stands for religious freedom. This is a principle embodied in her constitution, and her practice is in accord with the principle. In Japan, a man may be a Buddhist, a Christian, or even a Jew, without suffering for it. This is so clear that no right-minded man acquainted with Japan would question it. We have Christian churches in every large city, and in almost every town in Japan, and they all have complete freedom to teach and worship in accordance with their own convictions. These churches send out missionaries to extend the influence of Christianity from one end of the country to the other as freely as such a thing might be done in the United States. There are numerous Christian newspapers and magazines. Christian schools, some of them conducted by foreigners and some by Japanese, are found everywhere.

"In passing it may perhaps be worth while to ask the question: How far do the facts to be found in Russia correspond with all of the facts above stated? The number of those professing Christianity in Japan I do not know, but it must be a large number, with a much larger number who are Christians in their affiliations. The Japanese Christians are not confined to any rank or class. They are to be found among the members of the National Diet, the judges in the courts, the professors in the universities, the editors of the leading secular papers, and the officers of the army and navy. Christian literature has entrance into the military and naval hospitals, and a relatively large number of the trained nurses employed in these places are Christian women. Recently arrangements have been made by which six American and British missionaries and six Japanese Christian ministers are to accompany the armies in Manchuria in the capacity of spiritual advisers to the Christian soldiers. Japan stands for religious freedom. To abandon that principle, either now or in the future, would be to violate the constitution, and would create dissatisfaction throughout Japan. What then, becomes of the argument that Russia stands for Christianity and Japan for Buddhism?

#### Some Figuring.

I have been figuring a little of late. The last three issues of the Paper report 784 conversions and baptisms in our denomination in Mississippi. To these I can add ten more at Scobey—798. Is not this cheering, glorious! How refreshing this intelligence in the thousands of Baptist homes into which THE BAPTIST goes. This is solid cheer to some of us, who seem to preach to barren churches. How our hearts hunger for such results in all our

pastorates. May the tidal wave come soon. Then this news gladdens the souls of the "old guard" when we look at the Gideans who are doing the work. Kincannon, Tull, Johnson, Trotter, Welch, Webb and many others just as good—oh these Timothys! What will they not accomplish in the future? Nearly 1,000 new stars to glitter forever in the crown of the Nazarene—a constellation of glory forever.

Then I think of the many homes where our Paper does not go. How much sunshine they miss. If they only knew what the Master is doing elsewhere! We pray and wait for the good time coming.

This is the eleventh year of my pastorate here and I have had Cairnes, Bacon, Price and Lee to help me in meetings. All of them men of God and mighty in the Scriptures, and yet no such blessed results as I read of in other churches. But I thank God, take courage and toil on.

Yours to serve,

ALEX A. LOMAX.

Batesville, Miss., 9-29-'04.

Northwood, La.

I send you the following bit of news about this noble church. We have just closed a glorious associational year's work. During this year there have been ten additions to the membership of the church, seven since I came. We haven't set the woods on fire in this respect.

The church has contributed during this year for all purposes, \$3,438 20. In proportion to membership and wealth, there is no more liberal church anywhere.

A decided advance will be made all along the line next year and especially on State Missions. In addition to our regular contribution to Foreign Missions, the W. M. U. will support a native missionary in China. I find myself continually singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

THE BAPTIST gets better every issue. Of all my papers it is the first I read. I don't hesitate to say that it is as good as any of them. There is some as fine reading matter in THE BAPTIST as can be found in any of the papers.

Let me congratulate you upon securing the beloved Dr. Stedman as your assistant editor. God bless THE BAPTIST and its editors. My heart thrills at the success of Mississippi Baptists. God bless you.

Fraternally,

W. S. ALLEN.

Leaf River.

On Saturday before the 3d Sunday in August, Bro. T. J. Barksdale, with the pastor, began a meeting of days at Leaf River. Bro. Barksdale preached the old, old story of Jesus and his love, and the people received it gladly. Seventeen were baptized and three received by letter. The pastor became afflicted with a severe case of sore eyes which caused much suffering and loss of time, but the lateness of this report. On the 3d Sunday in September Bro. C. E. Welch with the pastor and

preached Jesus to the people in a very acceptable manner. After the preaching service we made our contribution for State Missions, this being our time set apart for this purpose. The contribution amounted to something above \$30.00, an increase of a fraction more than 20 per cent. last year.

Yours in the Lord's work,

J. W. STEEN.

Ora, Miss., 9-20-'04.

#### A Tribute.

On my return from Europe, a few days since, I heard with great sorrow of the death of Rev. Z. T. Leavell. It came as a shock to me as I did not know that he was sick. In recent years our work has been far apart and I have but seldom seen him; but I kept up with his work and rejoiced in the success of his labors. He lived in my heart. He was one of the host of men who, while I was Secretary of the Convention Board, was always loyal, true and good. I had many reasons to know him intimately and in my judgment a nobler Christian did not live in Mississippi.

JOHN T. CHRISTIAN.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 26, 1904.

#### God is Blessing.

It occurred to me in your last issue to count the number of additions reported. I found there were 480 reported from this State alone. Before finishing I found some one had counted those reported last week numbering 794, making a total of 1274 reported in two issues. Two thoughts occurred to me in connection with these figures. A paper that can bring such news as this is of highest value to us. God bless THE BAPTIST because it is the means of bringing us cheering reports. Furthermore I thank God he is thus putting his seal upon the efforts of our people. It is a glorious privilege to be numbered with a people so nobly carrying out the great commission of our Lord to make disciples of and baptize all nations.

Fraternally,

E. T. MOBBERTLY.

Leland, Miss.

#### Natchez.

After nearly a month's absence I am again at my post. Bro. M. O. Patterson supplied very acceptably during my vacation. This young brother starts out with a great deal of promise. He enters the Seminary at Louisville right away, and says he is in for three years, D. V. We cautioned him against the subtle darts of Cupid, but he assured us that he wears a breastplate of determination which cannot be pierced short of three year's shooting. The pretty girls will please take notice.

We had a good day Sunday. The attendance was not up to its normal state, but the interest was quite good. At the morning hour one was received by letter, and at the evening service two received for baptism. We are now beginning a campaign for a general advance all along the line.

E. F. LYON.



## Editorial Paragraphs.

It is easy for a man who hasn't had an introduction to religion to sneer at it.—Ram's Horn.

Pastor W. F. Yarborough, of Jackson, assisted the pastor at Lumberton in a meeting last week.

The necessary amount has been secured to erect an infirmary at Wake Forest College.—Baptist Argus.

Dr. A. H. McKinney of New York, will deliver the Sunday-school lectures of the Seminary this session.

The Southwestern Baptist University under Dr. P. T. Hale, the new President, has had the largest opening in its history.

"What is the difference between grace and mercy?" Grace is goodness to the unworthy; mercy is goodness to the guilty.

Two hundred and seventy three students have matriculated in Wake Forest College up to date. This is the Baptist School of the State for young men. Mississippi College now has 333.

The Baptist Standard says the revival is still sweeping over the entire State, and that no such news as is now appearing in that paper has ever been printed in Texas.

The petition in the Model Prayer, "Thy will be done" means thy commandments be obeyed as well as thy purpose be accomplished. God has his will of command as well as his will of purpose. The disciple should be obedient and submissive.

"Pastor, I thank you for the helpful sermon that you gave us today. It lifted a burden off my soul, filled me with joy in the Lord, and gave me strength for duties."

The test of a good sermon is that it does good. If your pastor has given you light and peace, joy and strength, in giving God's message to the people, tell him. If he is a godly man, it will not hurt him, and it will help you.

Boston W. Smith, general manager of the chapel car work, says that not less than 12,200 have been converted in the chapel cars. Here are some results of chapel car work: 132 churches organized; 110 meeting houses secured—houses valued at \$195,000; 236 Sunday-schools organized; baptisms resulting from chapel car work, 4,335.

Pastor Cohron of Utica, says that in an issue of THE BAPTIST 770 additions to our churches are reported. Recently 41 new members came into the church at Utica, and he is earnestly asking himself, "what shall I do with them?" Read his article again, and if your church has new converts, honestly and prayerfully ask yourself the same question.

As an advertising scheme, Harris Business College is offering a few scholarships at a big bargain. Write them.

## Church News.

We hope to treat our readers next week to an entire page of Orphanage information. Let every one read it carefully.

We extend sympathy to our brother E. B. Steen, of Florence, in the loss of his wife on last Lord's day.

Senator George F. Hoar died at his home in Worcester, Mass., on Sept. 30th. He was 78 years of age.

Pastor W. R. Cooper was assisted at Maryland by T. J. Miley. A good meeting with one for baptism.

In August W. W. Muirhead aided T. O. Hendon in a meeting at Harmony church, Carroll County. Eleven were baptized.

Pastor W. P. Price has spent nine whole weeks in protracted meeting work during the summer, mainly in country churches.

T. O. Hendon held a meeting at Centerville in August, assisted by W. W. Muirhead, in which there were four accessions.

The Rocky Springs Church, J. W. Mayfield pastor, has had a revival. Rev. T. J. Miley did the preaching and there were fourteen baptized.

Rev. T. J. Miley assisted Rev. J. E. Chapman at Liberty and Pleasant Hill. At the former place twelve were baptized, and at the latter, three.

Rev. I. P. Trotter honored our office with a call on his return last Saturday from his month's vacation. He is looking well and hopeful.

Embracing second Sunday in July Rev. T. J. Miley assisted Dr. A. M. Harrelson at Belmont. The meeting lasted five days and closed without any visible results.

At New Shiloh embracing the 3rd Sunday in August, W. W. Muirhead had to his help T. N. Luck and J. C. McElroy. Thirty-two additions crowned the work.

Rev. A. L. O'Brian has resigned at Florence and will move to Magee, dividing his time equally between Magee and Braxton. This makes a good field for a good man.

Rev. L. P. Arader, pastor at Oak Grove, Smith county, has held a gracious meeting with his church, in which there were twenty-seven baptisms. He is in Mississippi College.

There have been added during the year to the churches which Bro. J. L. Wilcox, Blue Mountain, serves, sixty-two members. A good year's work at the hands of one of God's most trust-worthy servants.

Pine Bluff church, Montgomery county, W. W. Muirhead pastor, has held a meeting in which brethren T. O. Hendon, H. H. Huffman, D. Burn and W. F. Skinner assisted. Seven additions.

The meeting closed at Tula the 4th Sunday after continuing 8 days. The preaching was done by Bro. N. W. P. Bacon, in his usual forceful manner. Results: 17 baptized and several received by letter and by restoration.

R. C. Murray assisted by L. D. Posey, of Mr. Carmel, has closed a good meeting at Mt. Horeb church. The pastor preached two days and Bro. Posey did the balance. Church greatly revived, eleven baptized and pastor's salary raised \$25.00.

Rev. Charley D. Potts recently held a meeting at River Side with Rev. W. J. Harvey, of Durant as his helper. Notwithstanding much rainy weather the meeting resulted in much good. There were nine additions to the church, one a Catholic.

In a meeting recently held at Huick's Retreat where J. W. Mayfield is pastor, Rev. A. L. O'Brian did the preaching except one sermon by Bro. Butler. There were twenty-eight additions and the church much strengthened.

Young brethren R. L. Sproles and B. O. Patterson left last week for the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. They are bright and pious, and give promise of great usefulness in the work of the Master. What other young ministers go from Mississippi to the Seminary?

At Four Mile Lake Bro. Potts began a meeting on September 1st. Bro. J. Parker White and R. D. Maum did the preaching. On account of illness of wife Bro. Potts had to leave the meeting for several days. But there were five additions. They set apart 3rd Lord's day in September to organize a Sunday-school.

We are authorized by Dr. A. T. Robertson, the business manager, to say to our readers that copies of both the July and October numbers of The Baptist Review and Expositor can be had by new subscribers. The April number is exhausted. This journal is already felt to be a necessity in the preacher's study. It meets a long-felt want.

Rev. A. C. Watkins, who has been in the States more than a year, caring for his invalid wife whom God called to her reward in August, returns this week to his much loved work in Torreon, Mexico. He goes alone, leaving his three motherless children with relatives in Clinton. Last January was 15 years since he first went as a missionary to Mexico—nearly 16 years now.

W. P. Price has recently closed an eight days meeting with Pastor H. W. Rockett at Charleston, where there has been an organization practically ever since the war, but never at any time a church house. Results: Eleven accessions, a lot donated for a house and \$1,500 raised for erecting a building. And all concerned greatly encouraged. The building is to begin at once.

Wiggins Baptist Church met on last Sunday afternoon in special conference and took up the matter of full time preaching. By unanimous vote Pastor W. B. Holcomb was asked to give full time for rest of present year and all of next year on same plan. This necessity has grown largely out of the fact that the membership has been somewhat enlarged and the boarding school has a hundred boarders from this and adjoining counties.

Rev. T. J. Miley held meetings in his own churches as follows: At Taylorsville, W. P. Chapman assisted, and there were six baptisms; at Springfield, John Mayfield, eight baptisms; at Liberty, pastor did the preaching, and there were three baptized; at Summerland, S. G. Cooper aided and nine were baptized; at a second meeting at Taylorsville the pastor did the preaching, with eleven baptisms (seventeen in all this year;) and at Pulaski pastor did the preaching with eleven accessions.

The management is much pleased to make the further announcement that Bros. Flake and Leavell will conduct a B. Y. P. U. Department and Rev. R. A. Kimbrough, of Tupelo, a Sunday school Department. These added to the great help we are receiving from the pen of our gifted associate surely will go far in the direction of giving our noble people a paper in large measure worthy of them. For the extra means necessary to meet our largely increased expenses, we must look to our Baptist people and primarily to the pastors, the denominational burden-bearers.

Bro. I. P. Trotter says: "I have been here at the World's Fair two weeks and that is too short a time to see it. A month could be spent in the Art department alone. It is the World's greatest exposition and not likely to be equaled in far off years. The first Sunday of my stay here I preached for my friend and brother, Dr. John T. M. Johnson, of Delmor Ave. Baptist Church—one of the three strongest churches of the city among Baptists. Dr. J. is bringing things to pass in the church. He found it with a \$16,000.00 debt which is now gone. I had the pleasure of dining with the famous district attorney of St. Louis whom I baptized. He has been nominated for Governor and will be elected."

Rev. T. J. Miley says: "I have resigned Springfield, Pulaski and Summerland, to take mission work in General Association. These churches all raised my salary and called me unanimously. They are worthy of any man's services. Springfield and Pulaski I have served for 12 years and not a dissenting vote. Love to all of them and their incoming pastor, W. P. Chapman. Summerland, I have ministered three years and leave under a unanimous call. These churches all help in every good work. If all the churches in the State would give for missions and education as they do, we could educate every young preacher in the State and have a surplus on hand, and besides we would put enough money in Bro. Rowe's hands to supply every destitution in the State. This is no boast but truth.

## Notes.

The Chickasaw Association met with the Bethel church 30 miles west of Ecu on Tuesday 13th inst. Rev. Gibson preached the opening sermon and it was heartily enjoyed by the great congregation.

Rev. I. M. Gray was reelected moderator; Tucker of Ecu, clerk; and Dr. B. F. Leavell, treasurer. The moderator at each session appoints the chairmen of committees for the next association, but it was observed that these chairmen were conspicuously absent. However the most of them sent in their reports.

Perhaps this is a good move but the work did not appear to advance appreciably beyond the old method. There were present by letter and messenger 34 churches, and two letters besides. There was the largest crowd present yet seen in Mississippi. Perhaps 1,000 persons present the first day, and not less than 1,500 the second day. The whole hill was covered with vehicles of all sorts and the people resembled a grand army. A table four square and covering almost 1/2 acre was loaded with edibles. All the people partook and there was still abundance left over.

The church made the mistake of providing no place in the grove for preaching so that the visitors might derive some benefit from the meeting. As it was, less than a fourth of the people got any good out of the meeting. The writer being a stranger, failed to meet the pastors except a very few.

The reports that the writer heard were good while brethren discussed them with much earnestness. 200 baptisms were reported while the various benevolent objects were not forgotten.

The crush prevented the scribe from getting the figures. This, he regrets. Bro. Rowe was on hand and thrilled the body with his speech on missions. Rev. E. L. Wesson of The Journal and Expositor, was present in the interest of his paper and he informed the scribe that he took a goodly number of names for his paper.

THE BAPTIST man did his best, but the 50-cent paper was good enough for the large majority of the dear people. But so it goes, some people want the paper which costs them least. THE BAPTIST has some friends in the body but they are few and far between. THE BAPTIST was recommended, but it seems that the brethren ought to pray like they preach—but they don't.

More anon,  
O. M. LUCAS.

## College Tidings.

Clinton, Miss., Oct. 4, 1904.

Still they come! Our enrollment has now reached 333. This is 46 more than had been enrolled at the late last session and is exactly equal to the total enrollment last session. We have an unusually well behaved and studious body of students.

A good many of our endowment notes due last Jan., are still unpaid, but every few days some one sends in a check to redeem the last note. Let the good work go on.

The necessity of new buildings is coming to be appreciated. A splendid letter the other day from the ever faithful and never failing T. J. Miley, said, "put me down \$50.00 for the new buildings, payable in 4 annual payments, beginning Jan. 1906. I have two more endowment notes due but will redeem them next Jan." Thanks, Bro. Miley. May a thousand others take up the refrain. Many brethren have said to me personally or written me assuring me that they would be ready to do their part when the movement begins. Suppose that five years from today there should be \$100,000 worth of new buildings and equipments with 500 students in attendance. What a thrill of joy would run through the hearts of the Baptists of Miss! I fully expect to see all of that 5 years from today if the Lord spares me. It can be done, it ought to be done and in my opinion it will be done. If our 1,300 Baptist churches and our 100,000 Baptist people would all do their part it could be done in one year. I believe that a sufficient number of them will rise to the splendid opportunity and accomplish the above mentioned advancement by Oct. 4, 1909. That is five years from today, but big things can happen in five years.

Yours for progress,

W. T. LOWREY.

An Outline  
(For the Preacher.)

"Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me into glory."—Ps. 73:24.

- 1—God Himself will guide his people.
- 2—He will guide them with his counsel.
- 3—He will so guide them that they shall attain unto glory.

## To Associational Clerks.

Please do not forget to send copy of the minutes of your association as soon as published, to the Statistical Secretary, S. G. Cooper, Canton, Miss.

Sept. 30, 1904.

Christian characteristics are wonderfully beautiful. "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from among you, with all malice." Each of these evils are unmistakably marks of a bad heart. The person who persists in cherishing them has no claim, whatever, to recognition as a child of God. We are not permitted to entertain such feelings under any considerations; rather, we are to bless those which spitefully use us, return good for evil, and should any one prove to be an enemy to us, we are to even bless that one. "And be ye kind one to another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Here is a very severe rebuke for many church members. It requires much grace in the heart to make such a character as this demands, but only such characters are children of God. If you have never learned to cheerfully forgive the injuries your brethren do you it is strong evidence that you have never received God's pardoning grace. If you will not forgive men God will not forgive you, thus by harboring evil toward you brethren you invite God's wrath upon yourself.



## The Adopted Kitten.

"Oh, mamma, mayn't I stay home from school and 'muse Nellie this morning, 'cause she feels so bad?" Susie cried rushing into the breakfast room.

Mamma didn't hear at first.

She was rocking baby and giving three-year old Robbie his breakfast and directing Minnie about her lunch, so perhaps it was no wonder Susie had to pull her arm and repeat her question.

"It's Nellie Wilson, Mamma. The poor-house man is coming over for her this morning, 'cause she hasn't anywhere to go now; her mamma and papa are dead, and Nellie's 'traid. Maybe I won't ever have another chance."

"The poor little thing. Yes, I suppose so."

Susie was dragging the forlorn little figure in shabby black out to the brush-pile where Furry-purry had hidden her kittens.

"She don't mind our looking at 'em," she said eagerly, reaching under the brush for one.

"It's the boys and dogs she hid 'em from. Look, aren't they pretty? 'Most big enough to drink milk for themselves now."

But presently with loving pats and soft caresses they restored the treasures to her and scampered off to the barn to hunt eggs.

Into all the nooks and corners they peered, then scrambling up on the hay papa had bought three days before, and Susie cuddled down in it, making believe she was a bird, and trying to chirp.

But suddenly Nellie asked: "Why, Susie did you bring one of the kitties out? I hear a mewling."

They scrambled over to the other side and listened again. "She's got a hole away down in the hay. Kitty! Kitty!"

"It's lost," she said, "and it's so little and crying for its mother. Can't we get it out?"

"Why, it can't see out of its eyes, they are so full of dust," Nellie said, pityingly. "And how thin it is, and so rough! It looks as if she was 'most starved to death."

And Susie exclaimed: "Why see, it isn't one of our little kitties at all!"

"Why, Susie, whose is it then?"

"I don't know, but its littler than Furry-purry's, and blue; and hers are so plump, and this looks as if never had anything to eat. It's most like hers, but it ain't. Let's go and show it to mamma." Mamma looked at it curiously.

"No, it's not Furry-purry's—looks as if it was Maltese. Found it in the hay, you say? Then it must be Mr. Dean's cat had her nest in the hay-stack and he loaded it in with the hay without knowing it."

"Take it to Furry-purry. She may take it for one of her own and take care of it. That is the only thing we can do," mamma said.

Susie carried the kitten tenderly out on the steps and called: "Furry-purry! Kitty! Kitty!"

The little girls followed and peeped under the brush-pile, presently returning to report that Furry-purry had taken the waif to her bosom, was nursing it, and gently washing the dust out of the blinded eyes with her soft tongue as if it were her very own.

"She's just 'dopted it," Susie said. "I didn't know cats were so good."

"Mammas have tender hearts," smiled papa. "Hello, here's Davis from the poor-house! What does he want here?"

Nellie knew. The light faded from her eyes, a great sob rose in her throat.

Mamma saw the big tears flooding her eyes again, and gathered the forlorn little figure in her arms. "He has come for this motherless little girl," she said with a queer little shake in her voice.

"But we can't be outdone in Christianity by a cat. Please go tell him he can't have her. We'll take care of her."

"Well," he said, "all she will eat and wear won't cost very much, and the work mainly comes on you. Just as you say, only don't work yourself to death."

"She will help and teach Minnie and Susie to be more helpful," said mamma. "And anyway, we can't be outdone by Furry-purry."—Ex.

## An Afternoon With My Bible Class.

MRS. LUCILE DANIEL CLARKE.

If we were in America, we would say this had been "Commencement Day" for my girls' classes; but, as we are in Japan, it has only been the last meeting before the summer holidays. It was a very interesting meeting, though, and I think some of the home friends, and those who are interested in missions, will like to hear about it. This year there have been fifty girls, from fourteen to twenty-two years old, coming for lessons in English and fancy-work. Of course, we study the Bible every time, and almost all of the girls have bought Japanese New Testaments. All of the Bible study is in Japanese. We have English twice a week and one lesson in fancy. The girls have been so very interested in all of the study and we pray that the Bible truths taught will bring forth fruit in the days to come.

The public schools close tomorrow. (Think of going to school until July 19), and we thought we would take a little vacation from teaching until September. We had no study today except the Bible lesson, which was the sixteenth chapter of Mark. The girls brought their Bibles, and I was glad to see several of them marking certain passages as we read.

We had arranged to have several games after the Bible lesson was over, and to serve tea and cake. We bought some Japanese cake, and then I made some little foreign cakes, which were especially appreciated because they were foreign. The room was prettily decorated with flowers and Japanese flags and two little American flags, which I happened to have. It presented quite a festive appearance. I had arranged a little gift for my Bible woman, who has been a great help to me in

these classes, and of whom I shall write later. I mentioned it to the girls, and they readily agreed to help me, so we gave a pretty little clock to Kobayashi San. It was presented immediately after the Bible lesson and prayer, before we began the games, and was a very delightful surprise to the dear girl. She had told me of how she meant to save her money and buy one. When this was over, we served the cake and tea (according to Japanese custom) and spent the rest of the afternoon playing such games as "spinning the plate," and other foreign games, beside many Japanese ones. When it was time to go home we had a little talk, suitable to the occasion, arranging when we should begin our study again, and closed with a little song service of such hymns as "He comes to bless the world," and "There's a fountain filled with blood." I gave each one a little reward card—those sent for the Sunday-school were used—the ones used at home at the end of every quarter. It was a very pleasant afternoon, and all expressed their appreciation of our kindness, and promised to come back in September.

I must tell you of what a help my Bible woman has been during the few months since she came. She is quite young and hence an excellent worker with girls. She is so free and easy with them, and yet they respect and love her. She is a graduate of one of the training schools run by the Northern Baptists, and, beside having a good, all-round education, is especially trained for the work of a Bible woman. Her first religious training was at a Sunday-school in Osaka, in the home of our own Mr. and Mrs. McCollum, before they moved to this island. Little did they know that they were giving the message to one who would, twelve or fourteen years later, become the Bible woman in the home of one of their own missions. Such a result of seed sowing is quite encouraging, and a good argument for the importance of Sunday-school work.

But I must stop, for if I get started on my Sunday-day schools, I shall have to change the subject of this letter, and might take up more space than is given to mission news.

Pray for our work in all the different departments. Mr. Clarke sends cordial greeting.

135 Kyo Machi, Nichome, Kumamoto, Japan. From Christian Index.

There is not as much in the Roman Catholic claim of numbers as would appear on the surface. In 1890 they claimed a population of 8,301,367; and in 1892 they claimed 10,967,767. This would show an apparent increase of 2,675,390 in twelve years; but according to the statistics of the Bureau of Emigration, it will be seen that the number of Roman Catholic immigrants for the same period was 3,705,184. To say nothing of their natural increase, a comparison of these figures shows that instead of a gain there was an actual loss of 1,029,794.—Herald.

## "Discipline"

Is the title of an article in THE BAPTIST, of September 1st, 1904, by Ben Franklin, that reasonably demands my attention in consideration of the position I have taken as to whether a church has the Scriptural authority to forgive a member who gets drunk and at the same time retain that member in fellowship. I have taken the position that no church is vested with such authority, and like the author of the Query in THE BAPTIST of May 26th, 1904, I have asked that if any such authority is given, please give book, chapter and verse.

It is true that some passages of Scripture have been given to show that God will forgive sin, that we ought to forgive a brother who trespasses against us, if he repents, "until seventy times seven." Yea, even the fears and sympathies of good brethren, have in justification of the custom of some Baptist churches been presented as proof that a church does have the right to forgive a member who gets drunk and at the same time retain him in fellowship. But to the present, be it known that not one passage of Scripture has been given to sustain such contention in the least. If there are such passages, I should be glad to have them pointed out, that the churches to which I preach might have the benefit of the same. This I feel sure was the purpose of "Piney Woods Pastor's" query. Such was the writer's purpose, and not a cavil about a question that could have been settled in a few minutes.

## 1. DISCIPLINE.

This is not the question nor subject we started out with, but rather to what extent can a church go in dealing with a member who gets drunk. Can a church forgive such member and at the same time retain him in fellowship. If it can be shown by literal and Scriptural teachings that discipline means forgiveness to the violator of the laws of church or State, then it can be likewise shown that the executors of these laws are persecutors of the violators of law. A church of Christ is the executor of the law of Christ, to both the orderly and disorderly. "Teaching them (the orderly) to observe all things," etc, Matt. 28:20. "Withdrawing yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly," 2 Thess. 3:6. Bro. F, discipline, as it should be exercised in the light of the Scriptures, by the churches, condemns your theory of forgiving a member who gets drunk and at the same time retaining him in fellowship.

## 2. GAL. 6:1.

Again I reply to the passage above by saying that, we are not considering the man that overtook the fault and thereby got drunk. I have stated that, drunkenness is offensive to any orderly church of Christ, but in its nature is sin against God. My contention is that no church has any authority to forgive the offense of drunkenness or any other sin against God, until the law of Christ has been satisfied in the punishment of the offender by his church

withdrawing fellowship from him, and an assurance of his sorrow and repentance of the same.

No Bro. F, I am not satisfied with your conclusions as I understand them, which is nothing more than the unscriptural custom of receiving the acknowledgement of a member who gets drunk, and who knows that all he has to do is to, "square it up with the church," which means anything so they don't turn him out.

If you will be patient in my next, I will give you what I understand to be Christ's law to the churches concerning A General Offense—sin against God, for which a member should be excluded.

Very respectfully,

JOHN THOMPSON.

Conn. Miss.

## Politics vs. Christianity.

When one wants any public office within the gift of the people he enters the field of politics. He seeks earnestly the support of the people. In order to be elected he becomes a candidate; he does not expect it otherwise. Some people think anything is legitimate in politics. The politician runs in order to be elected. But in Christianity the whole thing is the other way. The politician runs the race before election the Christian runs the race after election. The politician wants to be elected, the Christian runs because he is elected, or after the election takes place. With the politician the man wants the office, with the Christian the office wants the man. In politics the man seeks the office, in Christianity the office seeks the man. Now I have said these things in order to say what I want to say. There is another kind of election I want to speak of that takes place in our churches, that is the election of pastors.

Now I hope the Baptist preachers of this country will not all come at me at once, that is, I mean to say that class who are guilty of what I bring against them. I am charitable enough to believe that the guilty class is only a very small per cent of the great and noble band of God-called, and blessed, and who have at heart God's glory, than whom a more loyal set never lived than the Baptist preachers of this day. Is it common, is it in the keeping with Baptist principles, is it Scripture for a Baptist preacher to electioneer, ask his own people to come out and vote for his re-election? Does he not lower the dignity of the work does he not bring dishonor and reproach on the cause of our Lord? The man that leaps before he looks, that runs before he is elected, that answers before he is called, that seeks before he is sought, that desires before he is desired, that comes before he is sent for in the Pastorate, has taken up the whole thing amiss. Now, if I was a preacher I would not ask anybody how they liked me, or how they liked my sermon, or how they liked my looks. I would not do any of these things. I would try to be the very best fellow possible, would make my sermons, just as strong as possible, de-

nouncing sin and the devil, and honor God and if people did not like it, why, I would not try to help it. I would do these things, but I would not adopt political methods to get to be pastor of any church.

APOSTOLIC.

## At Play.

Without play, Jack got dull. Monotony wears the life away. But all play surfeits and penury and shame attend.

Play is the mole; work, the giant.

Play is death; work, life.

Play looks down; work, up.

The busy man sets aflame others; while the idler quenches the fire. We have idlers pressing brick, walking streets and thoroughfares. We have them in the churches. They are servants of time and self, playing at higher requirements. At times a church is thus engaged throughout. But when this is so, one of two things is apparent: The people have closed Bibles, or a silent pulpit.

Churches of three score members sometimes contain individuals blessed with incomes of thousands, and pay their preacher fifty dollars, or less, and fail of twenty for missions. Such are of kin to the man who gluts himself at his Master's larder, and then sneaks in a corner to sleep. "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me . . . in tithes and offering." The man divested of slumber brings "all the tithes into the storehouse" and so opens "the windows of heaven". The man playing robs twice: God and himself. He should be given a Bible and a preacher with his mouth open.

J. E. PHILLIPS.

God never sets a bad person to perform a holy office. When you see the worldly or ungodly occupying the pulpit, teaching in Sunday-school or occupying prominent places in the church you may know that the devil put them there, for God always picks holy men and women to do his work. The devil does not care how many churches are in a community if he is permitted to "hold the balance of power" in them—just allow him to dress up one of his servants as a saint to dominate this church and furnish a few other godless members to howl and growl. The pastor may be a man of God but these "sons and daughters" of Satan will hold his power in check.

We call the attention of our readers this week to the fact that J. W. Patton, of this city, bought out the interest of Mr. White in the music business formerly known as Patton & White, some time ago, and will continue same at their old stand in this city. Mr. Patton was the original owner of this business before Mr. White entered it, and is thoroughly acquainted with all its details as well as the wants and requirements of his friends and patrons. We can say without fear of ever having to retract the statement that Mr. Patton will never leave anything undone which will please those who trade with him. We therefore bespeak for him a goodly share of the patronage of our readers. When wanting anything in the music line write to him for catalogues and prices.



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## The Country Preacher and His Work.

(Whenever we get any good thing we will give it to our readers. His many friends will enjoy this article from J. B. Gambrell.)

The great forces of nature are hidden and mostly silent in their operations. The masses see the results sometimes with awe and wonder. Philosophers seek out the hidden springs of power. A volcano is the result of forces working through ages, perhaps generating gases which at last break out with such violence as to convulse the earth.

When the Scriptures were translated into the vernacular of the common people in England, and the victory won for a free Bible, few, if any, foresaw more than the mere fringe of the glory which should be revealed from age to age. The silent heaven worked in the great sordid lump of humanity, transforming it into a higher civilization. We see today in the wide spread influence of the English tongue, with all its accompaniments of power, some of the results of the common English Bible.

All history has to do with results more than with causes. The maps are made on the same idea. They show the great cities with their tokens of wealth, but not the innumerable fields, spread over a continent which produced the primary elements of wealth. They show the vast throngs of people, but not the cradles in which they rocked. They lay out the great rivers, but not the springs far up in the mountains which make the rivers. History tells of great men of mighty deeds with a passing tribute to their mothers, but not a word of the noble common people who made the environment for growing great men. We see and admire the great oak, but the roots which forced the building of the monarch of the forest are

working underground, ought of sight, never seen, seldom thought about and never understood except by philosophers.

All this is much like the work of the country pastor. His is the real foundation work, not less important because it is less conspicuous. In my day I have seen demonstrations which settle me on some things. Let me give one. When a boy in my father's country home in North Mississippi, I heard a discussion between Eld. Martin Ball, then easily the most influential preacher in the North-half of the State, and a highly respected Presbyterian preacher. My father's home was the stopping place for all preachers, and these brethren chanced to meet there for dinner. They were the best of friends; but, according to the custom, they fell into the discussion of differences, especially as to the Presbyterian requirements for the ministry. Brother Ball suddenly broke off and said: "I have heard that you have been talking about me." Brother Gaillard protested that he had never said an unkind word of Bro. Ball in his life. Whereupon Bro. B. said: "I heard that you said I was the most useful preacher in the country," and Bro. G. confessed and denied not. Then said Brother Ball: "If I were a Presbyterian I could not preach at all." The Presbyterian was between his doctrine and common sense. He slipped out sideways by saying: "Well, Bro. Ball, the Episcopalians and Presbyterians will have to care for the recultured people, and the Methodists and Baptists care for the less cultivated country folks. It is all ordered right."

Since that day I have seen the State develop and the towns grow. The Methodists and Baptists have the situation. A new railroad is built. Towns spring up. Where do the people come from? The country. When two families move in one is nearly dead sure to be of Baptist persuasion and the other of Methodist connection. We get the country, and therefore the towns fall to us like ripe apples. Who did it? The country preachers, God's men in plain attire, like the people whom they served—simple in life, honest, self-sacrificing, brave as Caesar's trained and scarred captains, heroes of the faith, many of whom have fought the good fight to a finish, have laid down shield and buckler and sword at the great Captain's feet, and have heard his good word, "well done." They sleep where they fell on the field of battle with the people whom they led heavenward, many of them in unmarked graves; but their reward is on high, and the angels will know where they are on the resurrection day.

The country was before the town; and as the country makes the town, so country churches and country people have built our present civilization. Their work has never been more important than it is today. With the development of our great populous cities, agriculture is becoming more and more important. The parallel holds. Humanity is ground up at a fearful rate in the city mills. It must be replenished from the country. If the coun-

try churches are strong, they will enlist and to a degree train a mighty reserve army to re-enforce the armies fighting the concentrated and combined forces of evil in the cities.

I count it one of the greatest blessings of my life that I was reared in the country, that I taught school in the country, and that recently I have been permitted to go to the country again and help country pastors in protracted meetings, and hear new-born souls break forth in raptures of praise to the Redeemer of sinners. Every garment on me fits better. All hail to God's preachers who are working to put the right stamp on the boys and girls who will guide the affairs of church and State in the future! I would have every graduate of College and Seminary take his post-graduate course as pastor in a country church, even as Martin B. Anderson did, the man who for a generation poured into young men, as President of Rochester, the rich treasures of his cultivated heart and brain.

As I have read recently in THE BAPTIST of the meetings held here and there over Mississippi, where the springs and trees are familiar to me, new visions of coming glory which shall be revealed from these quiet spots, as the boys and girls go out to bless the world, sweep my soul as gales fresh and sweet from uplands of God!

## Waynesboro Bank.

In our last issue we printed this paragraph:

"Cashier William H. Walters of the bank of Waynesboro is under arrest for a shortage of \$3,000. He says there is only a mistake in bookkeeping."

This item inadvertently crept into Mississippi news. Of course it belonged to news in other states. However, it can do the Waynesboro bank, Mississippi, no harm, as every one who knows anything about this bank knows its cashier is E. F. Ballard and not "William H. Walters," and that therefore our publication of the matter is clearly seen to be a mistake, for which we hereby beg the pardon of the bank at Waynesboro, Miss.

Paul says to bear one another's burdens is to "fulfill the law of Christ." This law was not only the rule of life which he enjoined upon his disciples to guide them in their relations and duties to one another; but it was the law, the rule, the principle, of his life—law written in his heart and going out into spontaneous, universal and sympathetic fruitfulness. He was the great burden bearer.

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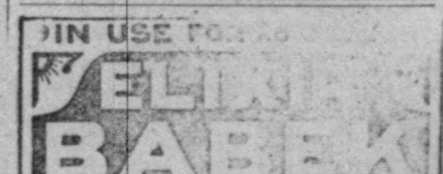
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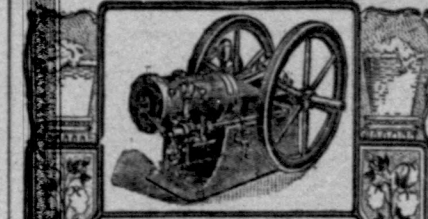
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" Brushy	5:01	10:00
" Donovan	4:55	9:53
" Evanson	4:47	9:44
" Lucedale	4:41	9:38
" Eubank	4:31	9:27
" Bexley	4:24	9:21
" Merrill	4:14	9:11
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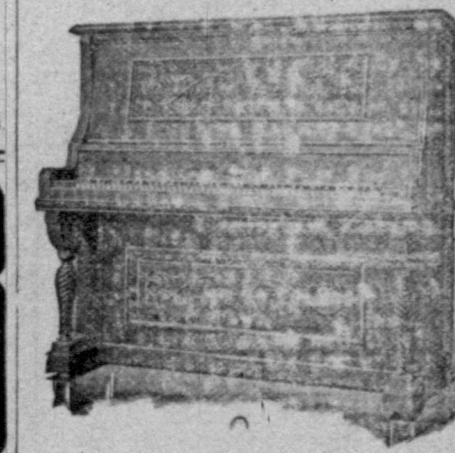
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tion, is indeed very incomplete without this binding and elevating influence within its holy precincts, and we know too well that the lack of it is very often the cause of the scattering of the family circle, and frequently the down-fall of some loved one, for the wicked and savage element have long recognized its power to attract, and sad to say, never fail to employ its influence to get the unwary within their power. Great is the pity that every home in our broad land does not use it to the same purpose.

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**OCTOBER.**  
 Chester, Clear Springs, 10 miles north-west Ackerman, Aberdeen Branch I. C. railroad, October 1.  
 Ebenezer: Big Creek church, Jones county, 9 miles nw from Ellisville, Saturday, October 1.  
 Liberty, Elam, Clark county, October 1.  
 Deer Creek, Hollandale, Y. & M. railroad, October 4.  
 Hobolochitto, Union, 8 miles from Carriere, October 5.  
 Yalobusha, Grenada, C. railroad, October 6.  
 Lauderdale County, Causeville, October 7.  
 Mississippi, Mt. Zion, 20 miles west Summit, I. C. railroad, October 7.  
 Louisville, Murphy Creek, 7 miles east Louisville, October 8.  
 Sipsey, New Prospect, 7 miles east Aberdeen, K. C., M. & B., and I. C. railroads, October 8.  
 Magee's Creek, Spring Creek, 8 miles east Ventwood, La., I. C. railroad, October 8.  
 Pearl Leaf, New Hope, October 8.  
 Pearl Valley, High Hill, Neshoba county, October 8.  
 Central, Bethesda, 6 miles northwest Terry, I. C. railroad, October 7.  
 Aberdeen, Central Grove, 7 miles east Okolona, M. & O. railroad, October 11.  
 Coldwater, Senatobia, I. C. railroad, October 12.  
 New Liberty, Eden, 14 miles west Sylva, October 12.  
 Kosciusko, Yockanookany, 10 miles south Kosciusko, Aberdeen Branch I. C. railroad, October 14.  
 Lincoln County, Damascus, 15 miles west Brookhaven, I. C. railroad, October 14.  
 Hopewell, Line Creek, 5 miles southwest Morton, A. & V. railroad, October 15.  
 Leaf River, Washington, Greene county, October 15.  
 Choctaw, Blackwater, Kemper county, October 15.  
 Tombigbee, Highland, 18 miles south Iuka, M. & C. railroad, October 15.  
 Trinity, Bently, 16 miles north Bogalusa, Southern Railroad, October 19.  
 Harmony, Standing Pine, 25 miles north Forest, A. & V. railroad, October 21.  
 South Mississippi, New Hope, October 22.  
 Oktibbeha: Rocky Creek church, Newton county, Saturday, October 23.  
**NOVEMBER**  
 Lebanon, Ellisville, N. O. & N. E. railroad, November 2.

Verily the word moves. The Canadian Baptist says that at a meeting held by the English Methodists, Lynton, Devonshire there was a discussion of the subject of baptism. And the "views of most of the speakers were strongly in favor of baptism after conversion."—Western Recorder.

Rev. J. Hartwell Edwards, of Ridge Springs, cultured in mind, sweet in spirit, capable and forceful in his utterances, adds much to the preacher personnel of the Ridge Association as he would to any other organization—Baptist Courier. He was once pastor of the Baptist church at Oxford, Miss.

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Pastor Smoot of Okolona, will have a Sacred Literature Class of 25 members this winter.

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The Greenville Union has maintained itself all summer. They will have not less than ten delegates at the Columbus Convention, Nov. 15, 16 and 17.

One of the three study courses of the B. Y. P. U. is called the "Bible Reader's Course." The purpose of the course is to furnish an outline for systematic Bible study to enrich the intellect and the spiritual life.

The plan for the Bible reader's course for the coming season is to have, each day, parallel readings; one from the Old and one from the New Testament. The arrangement is by Dr. Ira M. Price of Chicago. The plan contemplates reading the New Testament through in one year and the Old Testament through in four.

The Christian Culture Course cannot be learned without a Bible in the hand of the student. Every line in the Bible reader's course and the sacred literature course is an index finger pointing to God's word. The conquest missionary course is the outgrowth of Bible study and obedience to his teachings.

"If ye abide in my word, then are ye truly my disciples." Thus Jesus gives the test of true discipleship. "By their fruits." The disciple who abides in the Word will live truly as his disciple. The foundation of the B. Y. P. U. work is to increase the member's knowledge of the Word and to form in the student's life, a habit of daily Bible study.

"We study that we may serve." This is the motto of the B. Y. P. U. In its work the B. Y. P. U. is true to its motto. The study of the Bible and of fields of service. To do the work of God we must have the power of God. The Bible is the channel through which the power comes.

Daily Bible Study.—Nothing less than that is the aim of the B. Y. P. U. Is there a habit more necessary for the Christian? There is no argument here. The trouble comes here:

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The Birmingham, Ala., Pastors' Conference, at its weekly meetings this winter, will study through Dr. Edward Judson's course in "Great Christian Truths," which is the sacred literature course for this winter. Thus, twenty pastors or more will, in delightful fellowship, enjoy the treat, and be enabled the better to lead their people through it. Some pastors will take these studies for Wednesday night prayer meeting topics.

### Beams From Other Lamps.

(Adapted from Geo. W. Curtis.)

### The True Patriot.

The real patriot in this country is he who sees most clearly what the nation ought to desire, who does what he can by plain and brave speech to influence it to that desire, and then urges, and supports the laws which express it.

### Conqueror or Conquered.

Remember that the greatness of our country is not in the greatness of its (material) achievements, but in its promise—a promise that cannot be fulfilled without that sovereign moral sense without a sensitive moral conscience. Commercial pros-

perity is only a curse if it be not subservient to moral and intellectual progress, and our prosperity will conquer us if we do not conquer our prosperity.

### Patriotism.

Patriotism is like the family instinct. In the child it is blind devotion; in the man an intelligent love. The patriot perceives the claim made upon his country by the circumstances and time of her growth and power, and how God is to be served both opportunities of helping mankind. Therefore his country's honor is dear to him as his own, and he will as soon lie and steal himself as assist or excuse his country in a crime. Right and wrong, justice and crime exist independently of our country. A public wrong is not a private right of any citizen. The citizen is a man bound to know and do the right, and the nation is but an aggregate of citizens.

### Party or Country.

"The most plausible suspicion of the permanence of the American government is founded in the belief that party spirit cannot be restrained. The first object of concerted political action is the highest welfare of the country. But the conditions of party association are such that the means are constantly and easily substituted for the end. The sophistry is subtle and seductive. Holding the ascendancy of his party essential to the national welfare, the zealous party merges patriotism in party. He insists that not to sustain the party is to betray the country; and against all honest doubt and reasonable hesitation and reluctance he vehemently urges that quibbles of conscience must be sacrificed to the public good; that wise and practical men will not be squeamish; that every soldier in the army cannot indulge his whims; and that a majority may justly prevail in determining the government, it must not be questioned in the control of a party. . . . Because he tranquilly insists upon deciding for himself when he must dissent from his party, he is reviled as a popinjay and visionary fool. Seeking with honest purpose only the welfare of his country, the hot air around him hums with the cry of 'the grand old party,' 'the traditions of the party,' 'loyalty to the party,' 'future of the party,' 'servants of the party,' and he sees and hears the gorged and portly money changers in the temple usurping the very divinity of the God."

## Deaths.

[Death notices of 100 words and marriage notices of 25 are printed free; all over, cost one cent per word, which must accompany copy of notice.]

### Geo. W. Elkin.

Deacon First Baptist Church, Meridian, Miss.

Deacon Geo. W. Elkin, was born in Choctaw county, Miss., June 27, 1857. His father, soon after his birth, removed near Brooksville, Miss., where George grew to manhood, and remained until about ten years ago, when he moved to Meridian, Miss.

He joined the Brooksville Baptist Church when he was fourteen years of age. Upon his removal to Meridian he connected himself with the first Baptist Church in the summer of 1895.

He was elected to the position of deacon and was ordained on Jan. 11th, 1904. He died on April 9th, 1904, leaving a wife, three children, a mother, one sister and three brothers, and a large circle of brethren, sisters and friends to mourn his loss.

Bro. Elkin was one of the most sincere and devout Christian men in the community where he lived. He was as simple as a child, and tender and sympathetic as a woman; he was modest and retiring, energetic and forceful, honorable in all his relations of life, and universally esteemed by all who knew him. He was charitable to all and entertained malice toward no one.

He was an ideal husband and father, a tender and loving son and brother; his life was an exhibition of the Highest Christian virtues and an exemplification of the best Christian character.

He adorned his profession of faith with the ornaments of a Christ-like spirit, maintaining a loyal adhesion to the will of his divine Lord in all the walks of life. Though he is not, for God has taken him, yet the potency of his influence still remains to attest the saving and animating power of the Gospel of Jesus, whose he was and whom he served.

Resolved first, That in the death of Bro. Elkin, this church has lost one of her most devout members, and one who gave great promise of great usefulness, as a specially chosen servant of the church.

Resolved second, That we bow in submission to the will of our Heavenly Father in the removal of our brother from the church militant to the church triumphant.

Resolved third, That we tender the bereaved family our tenderest sympathies and pray that they may be sustained by the grace of our Heavenly Father in their sad bereavement.

Resolved fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the church and a type-written copy be presented to his family.

Adopted by the deacons in conference 1st Monday night in May, 1904.

### John T. Hightower.

John T. Hightower, a prominent citizen and active member of the Baptist church at Houston, Miss., was buried today. His loss will be great in the town, county and church.

E. E. THORNTON.

## Mrs. Artie Jimison Wilkinson.

Mrs. Artie Jimison Wilkinson, widow of the late Prof. John A. Wilkinson, died at the home of her son, Prof. W. A. Wilkinson, near Sparta, Sept. 12, 1904. She was born near Marion, Ala., May 8, 1846, and with her parents moved to Miss., settling near Sparta, Choctaw county, where she grew to womanhood, and Oct. 24, 1861, was married to her teacher, Prof. John A. Wilkinson, with whom she led an active, useful and happy life up to his death, July 2, 1892. Since the death of her husband, she has devoted her time and attention almost exclusively to her children, grand children and church.

During the summer of 1863, when on a visit to Marion, Ala., she was converted and united with the Baptist church at that place. At the close of the civil war, she moved her membership to Unity church, at Sparta, where she went forward in every good word and work of her church.

She was a noble woman, a model wife, a splendid mother, a helpful neighbor, and an inspiring Christian. It was a real benediction to be in her presence during her last illness, hear her words of submission and praise, see the effects of her faith and patience, and witness the triumphs of grace in her life.

She leaves three sons and a daughter, who mourn her death, but rejoice in her life record.

May the God of all comfort comfort and sustain and lead her children and grand-children to great usefulness.

E. E. THORNTON.

## Miss Inda Margaret Hanna.

Born Aug. 27, 1874, near Morton, Scott county, Miss., died Wednesday, Aug. 10, 1904, at Sylva, Smith county, Miss.

After a short illness of typhoid fever, Miss Inda Hanna passed away the morning of Aug. 10, 1904.

Only a few short summers shed their sunshine on the head of this noble young lady ere she was called away to join the loved ones gone before. Father, mother, brother and sister, were waiting to welcome her there to join the happy angel band and sing God's praises evermore.

Miss Inda was a consistent member of the Baptist church, having joined in her early youth, was a teacher and earnest worker in the Sunday school, was charitable and kind in her domestic life and loving and true to all her friends.

She died happy in her faith in Jesus, which will be a comfort to those two loving sisters who were left alone to mourn her loss, but their loss is the eternal gain. Throughout her life she sang sacred songs, and her last songs were, "Work for the night is coming" and "Gathered home." She has indeed been gathered home to the arms of Jesus, who "giveth his beloved sleep," and to Him we leave it all and bow in submission to his holy will.

May he comfort and bless the dear sisters left alone, and prepare them for the home above where they will see their loved ones never more to part.

ONE WHO LOVES HER.

### Carl Myers.

Son of Hedric and Josie Myers, was born Sept. 7, 1902, died May 2, 1904, aged 1 year, eight months and eleven days. These fond parents live near Hebron, Miss., and little Carl was the

pride of their home, but for reasons unknown to them God took him from them.

Wait patiently fond parents God will keep him forever, and when your life's journey has ended, your redeemed souls will be gathered to that home that God has prepared for them that love Him.

"The sad hour that took the boy Perhaps has spared a heavier doom, Snatched him from scenes of guilty joy, Or from the pangs of ills to come."

"He died before his infant soul Had ever burned with wrong desire, Had ever spurned at Heaven's control, Or madly quenched its sacred fire."

R. DRUMMOND.

### Mrs. V. C. Roberson.

On Sept. 3, 1904, Mrs. V. C. Roberson, wife of W. E. Roberson, formerly Miss Victoria C. Meriwether, died of heart failure.

She was about 34 years of age. She had been a member of the Shelby church about ten years. She was also a member of the Ladies' Aid Society. She was one of whom it can be said, she was faithful in the home, in the community, in the church and society. She leaves a bereaved husband and three children besides other relatives and sorrowing friends. We extend to the bereaved our sympathy and Christian love.

May the consolation of the Lord Jesus abide with them.

PASTOR.

### Ruth Hoyle.

Little Ruth, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. D. F. Hoyle, of Delay, Miss., after a rather protracted sickness, and much suffering, passed from earth to Him who said: "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." She was only 14 months old, and the center of attraction in the home. It was in the afternoon of Sep. 22, that the little spirit took its flight. She was laid to rest in the Tulsa cemetery.

W. L. HARGIS.

### William J. Wise.

On the 16th of September, 1904, little William Wise, infant son of Godfrey W. and N. R. Wise, passed peacefully to his home above. He was one month and 22 days old, was sick but a few days. He was so bright and promising. A beautiful flower plucked from earth and transplanted in heaven. O God, thy will be done and not ours.

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March 18, 1904.

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## WOMAN'S WORK.

Mrs. JULIA T. JOHNSON, Editor.  
P. O. Clinton, Miss.  
[Direct all communications to this department to Clinton, Miss.]

### Woman's Central Committee:

Mrs. E. G. Hackett, President,  
Meridian; Mrs. W. R. Woods,  
Secretary, Meridian.

### Program—October, 1904.

Programs are suggestive. The introduction of other features, selection of additional hymns, subjects of prayer, etc., are left with the society.

Subject: Medical and Educational Work in Foreign Lands.  
"God goes before us every step of the way."

1. Scripture: Matt. 10:1-15. Luke 18:35-43. Luke 10:25-37.

2. Praise: For the unspeakable gift of God's love; for our share in his work. Petition: For better conception of what God would have done and for full surrender to His leadership.

3. Leaflet: "Medical Work in Foreign Lands."

4. For Leader: A sample of a Chinese prescription: 10 Spanish flies, 10 scorpions, 3 centipedes, 10 silk worms, to be pounded and taken at once. An example of the influence of medical missions: The wife of a wealthy man in Swatow, China, became very sick. The missionary treated her. The man, in gratitude said: "I should like other women to be treated as my wife has been," and gave \$2,000 to start a woman's hospital. Afterwards he came to see the advantages of western education, and offered \$10,000 to start a Chinese school for Western education. His last step was to destroy his idols and apply for Christian baptism.

5. Business: Collection, etc.

6. A noble Chinaman: A Chinese Christian teaching, receiving fifteen dollars per month; was recently offered more than three times as much to go into commercial life. He replied: "I believe I ought to help to prepare young men for the ministry, and ten times the salary offered would not take me from my work."

7. Leaflet: "Educational Work in Foreign Lands."

8. A "Favorite" Discussion: Each member to give her favorite form of mission work—evangelical, educational, medical and the reason why.

9. Aim to Increase Membership: Plan for it, work for it, always keep it.

10. As Closing Prayer: Repeat in concert Psalms 67.

### Missionary Topic For October—Medical and Educational Work in Foreign Lands.

The ministry for bodily healing for the poor and friendless is as old as Christianity. Our Lord and Savior gave himself to this

blessed work and when he left the world committed it to his followers. In all the ages the Christ Spirit has impelled men and women to face danger and death in order that they might relieve suffering. Medical missionary work began in China, when Dr. Peter Parker opened a hospital for the eye in the city of Canton. This was in 1835. In 1841 Dr. Parker stopped in Edinburgh, Scotland, on his way to America, when such enthusiasm was aroused by his account of the work that as a consequence, the "Edinburgh Association for sending medical aid to Foreign countries," was formed. The influence of this association reached America. Through the influence of William H. Thompson seven scholarships were issued in the University of the city of New York, whereby medical missionary students might be prepared for their work. The first organized medical mission in America was established by Mr. E. Baldwin, in Philadelphia in 1879. A few years later, the International Medical Mission Society and Training Institute originated in New York City. Woman's work in medical missions began in the Methodist Episcopal church of America. Miss Clara Swain, M. D. was sent to India by that church, Jan. 1870. So rapid was her success that by March 1870, she had a class of nineteen women and girls, and in 1874 opened a hospital in India.

Dr. Lucinda Combs was the first lady physician to China, Dr. Florence Hannisford the first to Japan and Dr. Meta Howard the first to Korea.

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sent Dr. Ellen Mitchell to Burma, in 1879. Dr. S. W. Ayres of Hwanghein Station, China, writes thus to the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention: "We are under everlasting obligations to the saints of the First Baptist church, Macon, Ga., for the E. W. Warren Memorial Hospital now completed and ready for service. The attendance at the dispensary has been about 4,000. The number who have heard the gospel is much larger than the number of patients." Rev. E. Z. Simmons sends a message from Wuchow China, April 21, 1904. "Mrs. Simmons and I came up here for the formal opening of the Stout Memorial Hospital. We had good weather and everything went off nicely. The main ward of the hospital had been cleaned of the beds, and seats from the chapel brought in so that about 200 could be accommodated. The services consisted of singing, prayers, reading of Scriptures, and three speeches."

The practice of medicine among the heathen is marked by superstition, and attended with cruelty. The sick are pounded with clubs, suffocated by charcoal fumes, burned with hot irons, and dosed with putrid Ganges water, or the galls of tigers, snakes and lizards.

In China and Korea, parts of the living body of son or daughter are cut off, stewed, and administered to a dying parent.

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### TO THE DEAR SISTERS OF MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION:

This is the first time we have ever made an open appeal to you through our beloved BAPTIST. But we wish to remind you that on Friday afternoon October 7th the women of Mississippi Association will hold their annual meeting in connection with our association, which will also convene at that time with the Mt. Zion Church in Franklin County.

We will hold our meeting in the school house, and are exceedingly anxious to have a full representation from each church in our association.

Sisters, please make an effort to come, for at that time we want to arrange full details for the sending of a box of clothing

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DEAR SISTER: As requested I write to let you know something of our field and labors. I am serving my seventh year as missionary here in Indian Territory. I have had the blessings of our Heavenly Father to keep us in good health. The Lord has blessed our labors for Him. Last year I baptized 158 happy converts. 541 in the seven years of mission work. Last summer I preached eight weeks day and night and baptized 94 in that time. I am doing the same hard work this summer, with glorious results. I travel with team and buggy, all the year, consequently wear out many clothes. We suffer many privations and go through many hardships, but the cross grows brighter when we read His promises to His faithful ones. Such a Harvest field!

So many here that know not God and yet willingly submit to Him when the gospel is preached to them. There is great destitution on this field. Pray for us. We all send love and will appreciate any help.

J. M. FOSTER.

In view of the fact that our missionaries get very small salaries, and that that Home Board asks the sisters to supplement their salaries with boxes of clothing, we appeal to the churches of Mississippi Association for the following things: Gloster—Bro. Foster a pulpit suit, linen, underwear and extra pair of pants.

Ebenezer—The needs of Sister Foster.

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May the Lord so open your hearts that every church will respond liberally. Let us remember that in as much as we do a kindness unto one of the least of God's servants we have done it for Christ. Let no one miss opportunity for a blessing, but give as the Lord has blessed you, which will be abundantly.

Yours in the Master's service,  
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### Crying Babies.

(The Watchman.)

Some people object to crying babies, but without good reason. The noise they make is certainly not a sufficient ground for annoyance. It is often not as loud as the chatter of a talkative person, and if it is lower it is only proof of an exceptionally good constitution and strong power. Probably the reason why so many are troubled at a baby's cry is because they suppose it to be a sign of great distress and their sympathies are aroused. As in so many cases we judge from our own standards. You would not cry so loud unless you were in terrible agony. But crying is normal to a healthy baby. If a baby does not cry it is usually an indication of physical or mental weakness.

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### The Influence of a Soul.

Few things have more power over a child than a true, pure and good man. He will endeavor

to copy those things and imitate that spirit which he sees and admires in another. It may be inconvenient, it may be expensive to many of us, but when it is possible, have noble educated and pious people in your home. Large and immediate, precious and abiding fruit will come into the lives of your children. Who can estimate the power of a strong personality in the life of another. When a youth of sixteen years I heard Jefferson Davis speak. Other orators were undignified, violent and abusive. He was calm and stately, kind and conciliatory, chaste and eloquent. I said, "I must be a man like that." My father's house was "the preacher's home." I shall never forget the good men who came into it. How sweet the memory. Their influence abides. She who extends the grace of hospitality receives a greater blessing than she bestows.

### Mother Love.

The story is told of a mother who, in bitter grief, was trying to soothe her dying child. She told of the glories of heaven, of the brightness glowing all around, of the angels with shining faces; but the little one stopped her saying: "I don't want to go there, for the light hurts my eyes." Then she spoke of the harpers playing on the golden harps, and of the great numbers who sing the songs around the throne above; but the child only said: "Mother, I could not bear the noise, my head hurts so." Grieved and disappointed at her failure to speak words of comfort, she took the little one from its restless bed, and enfolded it in her arms, with all the tenderness of a mother's love. Then, as the lit-

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tle sufferer lay there, near to all it loved best in the world, conscious only as its life ebbed away of the nearness of love and care, the whisper came: "Mother, if heaven is like this, I want to go there."

Every human heart longs for tenderness: and our heavenly Father, who, better than any other, knows our need, says: "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you."

### A Song of Motherhood.

As my own mother used to comfort me—  
Kissing the tears away—  
Holding me close—aye, all too close for sobbs  
I hold thee, little dear one, close today!  
Calming my older pain, by stilling thine—  
As mothers only know—  
My heart-break lost in thine, as hers in mine—  
Long ago, little dear one, long ago.  
As thou in turn, a woman grown and wise—  
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